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NATION

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1. FOLLOWING IS OUR TRANSLATION OF STATEMENT ISSUED AFTER MARCH
27 MEETING OF NUMBER OF OPPOSITIONISTS AND AT END OF WHICH
NGUYEN CAO KY GAVE PRESS CONFERENCE. PARTICIPANTS WERE GENERALLY
THOSE WHO ATTENDED PREVIOUS DAY'S MEETING WITH KY (REFTEL).
WE UNDERSTAND KY HAD NOT PLANNED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING, BUT
DID SO AFTER ARRESTS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO INCLUDED SOME OF HIS
ASSOCIATES, REPORTEDLY IN ORDER TO DISCLAIM RUMORS OF HIS AND
THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN PLOTTING AGAINST GOVERNMENT.

2. TEXT. THE MASS PULLOUT OF THE RVN ARMED FORCES, FOLLOWED
BY THE EVACUATION OF MILLIONS OF REFUGEES, LEAVING THE WHOLE
OF CENTRAL HIGHLANDS AND THE NORTHERN AREAS OF CENTRAL VIETAM
TO THE ENEMY, IS THE MOST TRAGIC SCENE IN THE HISTORY OF THE
NATIONALISTS' STRUGGLE.
THIS DANGER IS OBVIOUSLY THE CONSEQUENCE OF AN ERRONEOUS LEADERSHIP
POLICY ADOPTED BY AN ADMINISTRATION WHICH, FOR A LONG TIME NOW,
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HAS BEEN INEFFICIENT AND HAS LOST ITS PRESTIGE AMONG THE PEOPLE

AND IN THE WORLD.

3. IN THE FACE OF THE THREATS OF LOSING OUR COUNTRY, THE ACTION COMMITTEE TO SAVE THE NATION COMES INTO EXISTENCE, UNITING ALL NATIONALIST MOVEMENTS, ORGANIZATIONS AND POLITICAL PARTIES, GROUPING ALL NON-COMMUNIST PATRIOTIC ELEMENTS WHO ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH INDEPENDENCE, FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY AND PEACE, TO PREVENT A COLLAPSE OF THE SOUTH.

4. THE COMMITTEE APPEALS TO ARVN COMBATANTS TO BRAVE ALL DANGERS AND HARDSHIPS TO RESOLUTELY DEFEND, WITH THEIR WEAPONS, THE REMAINING TERRITORY OF THE COUNTRY.

5. THE COMMITTEE APPEALS TO THE WHOLE ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE TO RISE UP AND UNITE TOGETHER IN A POWERFUL FORCE TO DEMAND PRESIDENT NGUYEN VAN THIEU TO REALIZE THE EXTREMELY CRITICAL SITUATION OF THE COUNTRY AND IMMEDIATELY TURN OVER FULL POWER TO A NEW GOVERNMENT THAT INCLUDES NEW PERSONALITIES WITH NEW POLICIES TO SAVE THE NATION.

6. THE ACTION COMMITTEE FOR NATIONAL SALVATION CONCEIVES THAT:
A) THE NATIONAL SALVATION ADMINISTRATION MUST BE CLEAN, EFFICIENT, AND TRUSTED BY THE PEOPLE FOR ITS DETERMINATION TO DEFEND THE TERRITORY AND ITS SPIRIT OF SERVING THE PEOPLE; B) THE NATIONAL SALVATION ADMINISTRATION IS DUTY BOUND TO STABILIZE THE SITUATION TO BRING ABOUT A VALIANT SPIRIT FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE ARMED FORCES, TO EFFECTUATE A REALISTIC, EFFECTIVE PROGRAMME THAT CAN PREVENT A COLLAPSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM; C) THE NATIONAL SALVATION ADMINISTRATION SHOULD BE ABLE TO QUICKLY BRING ABOUT PEACE FOR THE PEOPLE TO PUT AN END TO THE DEATH, HUNGER AND MISERY THAT THE WHOLE PEOPLE ARE NOW SUFFERING.

7. THE COMMITTEE EARNESTLY APPEALS TO THE NATIONS WHO ARE SIGNATORIES TO AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT TO POSITIVELY WORK ON SO THAT A CEASE-FIRE CAN BE EFFECTUATED BY THE BELLIGERENT PARTIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

8. BELIEVING IN THE PATRIOTISM AND THE YEARNING FOR FREEDOM AND PEACE OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE, THE COMMITTEE RESOLUTELY
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TIGHTENS ITS RANKS ON THE SIDE OF COMPATRIOTS OF EVERY CIRCLE TO STEP UP THE COMMON FIGHT UNTIL SUCCESS. END TEXT.
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